THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) The posts of Secretary (Supply) and Secretary (Industry Development) have been identified for abolition.

a4 (b) The downsizing of the Government machinery is a continuous process and under the ongoing exercise relating to 10% cut in posts, so far around 1.60 lakh posts have been abolished.

(c) In his Budget Speech for the year 2000-2001, the Finance Minister did not mention about setting up of any Committee on the issue of downsizing.

(d) Does not arise.

Loans from International Financial Organisations

4659. SHRI BRAHMAKUMAR BHATT: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the purpose for which loans are being obtained from the International Financial Organisations;

(b) the loans obtained during the last three years, institution-wise;

(c) the interest and service charges being paid annually thereon; and

(d) the projects being implemented with this amount, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) The external assistance is mainly used for financing development projects which involve capital investment of a high magnitude. External assistance takes the form of transfer of cash or technical know-how or both. The loans are utilized in Power, Infrastructure, Industry & Finance, Agriculture, Irrigation, Social Environment & Forestry, Oil, Non-conventional Energy, Urban Development, etc. sectors through a number of projects.

(b) The details of loans obtained during the last three years from different International Financial Institutions are as under:

(Rs. Crore)

SI. No	Institution	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000 (Provisional)
1.	A.D.B.	2230.03	2580.94	2665.92
2.	I.B.R.D.	2158.73	2417.68	2789.31
3.	I.D.A	3063.67	3646.54	3598.00
4.	I.F.A.D.	59.80	51,84	46.39
5.	O.P.E.C.	11.12	20.41	34.31
	TOTAL:	7523.35	8717.41	9133.93

(c) The details of Interest and Service Charges paid during the last three years are as under:

(Rs. Crore)

SI. No	Institution	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000 (Provisional)
1.	A.D.B.	465.04	549.55	637.85
2.	I.B.R.D.	1759.07	1753.68	1660.87
3.	I.D.A.	482.52	566.40	603.56
4.	I.F.A.D.	7.43	8.68	9.54
5.	O.P.E.C.	1.69	1.72	1.71
	TOTAL:	2715.75	2880.03	2913.53

(d) List of the projects is given in the annexure *[See* Appendix 189, Annexure No. 116] In addition the States are benefited under several Multi-State and Central Sector projects which are funded by these Institutions.